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**A FORM
OF
PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING
TO
ALMIGHTY GOD;**

TO BE USED

**On *Thursday* the Twenty-First Day of *April* 1814, being
the Day appointed by Proclamation for a General Thanks-
giving to Almighty God :**

**To acknowledge the great Goodness and Mercy of Almighty God,
who, in addition to the manifold and inestimable Benefits which we
have received at His Hands, has continued to us His Protection and
Assistance in the War, in which we are now engaged; and has given
to the Arms of His Majesty, and to those of His Allies, a Series of
Signal and Glorious Victories over the Forces of the Enemy.**

By Authority.

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¶ *The Service shall be the same with the usual Office for Holydays, except where it is in this Office otherwise appointed.*

¶ *Let him that ministereth read with a loud Voice these Sentences of Scripture; and after them the Exhortation, Dearly beloved Brethren, &c.*

REJOICE in the Lord, O ye Righteous; for it becometh well the just to be thankful.

O let us magnify the Lord our God, and fall down before His Footstool. for He is holy.

The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we rejoice.

Morning Prayer.

¶ *Instead of the Venite, this Hymn.*

O Sing unto the Lord a new Song : sing unto the Lord all the whole Earth.

Sing unto the Lord, and praise His Name : be telling of his Salvation from day to day.

Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people : ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.

For thou, Lord, hast made us glad through thy works : we will rejoice in giving praise for the operations of Thy hands.

Who can express the noble acts of the Lord : or shew forth all His praise.

He hath given us our hearts desire : and hath not denied the request of our lips.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for His goodness : and declare the wonders that He doeth for the children of men.

That they would offer unto Him the sacrifice of thanksgiving : and tell out his works with gladness.

That they would exalt Him also in the congregation of the people : and praise Him in the seat of the elders.

For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us : and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

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¶ *Proper Psalms*, XXIX, LXXIII, CXXII.

¶ *Proper Lessons* : { *First*, Isaiah X. 1—20. *inclusive*.
Te Deum.
Second, Luke XII. 1—31. *inclusive*.

Jubilate Deo.

¶ The Creed, &c. *to the End of the Lord's Prayer*.

¶ *Then the Priest, standing up; shall say ;*

Priest. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us ;

Answ. And grant us thy salvation.

Priest. O Lord, save the King ;

Answ. Who putteth his trust in Thee.

Priest. Send him help from thy holy Place ;

Answ. And evermore mightily defend him.

Priest. Let his Enemies have no advantage against him ;

Answ. Let not the wicked approach to hurt him.

Priest. Endue thy ministers with righteousness ;

Answ. And make thy chosen people joyful.

Priest. O Lord, save thy people ;

Answ. And bless thine inheritance.

Priest. Give Peace in our time, O Lord ;

Answ. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but
only Thou, O God.

Priest. O God, make clean our hearts within us ;

Answ. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

¶ *Instead*

Morning Prayer.

¶ Instead of the First Collect for the Day, the following Prayer shall be used.

ALmighty God, who rulest all things in heaven and earth, by whose power and unsearchable wisdom the prosperity and adversity of nations work alike for the general good of man, we humble ourselves before Thee, in praise and thanksgiving : We acknowledge Thy providence, and adore Thy mercies. When the wicked prevail, the heart of the righteous man fainteth within him : but Thy purposes are sure, and thy will is done. At Thy appointed time Thou hast driven back with shame and confusion the invader of many nations, the disturber of mankind. Accept, we implore Thee, our praises and thanksgivings, for the signal successes which Thou hast recently vouchsafed to His Majesty's arms, and to the arms of his Allies. Continue, we pray Thee, Thy favour towards them ; strengthen their efforts against the Common Enemy ; bind together their counsels, as the counsels of one man ; in defeat uphold their courage ; in victory put down their presumption ; in both, pour out Thy blessings upon them, that under all the changes and tumults and distractions of war, they may be found worthy of Thy protection. Grant this, O merciful God, for the sake of Thy blessed Son, our Redeemer and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

¶ Then shall follow the Second and Third Collects at Morning Prayer.

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¶ *The Prayer for The King.*

O GOD who commandest us when we are in trouble to open our hearts, and tell out our sorrows unto Thee in prayer, and dost promise to listen with compassion to our humble supplications, give us grace so to approach Thee that we offend not in word or thought. Put away from us every impatient imagination, prevent every unworthy petition. Let not our prayers assume the language of complaint, nor our sorrows the character of despair.

Upon Thee O God, and upon the multitude of Thy mercies we repose our grief, as we rest our hope. Restore We implore Thee our beloved Sovereign to his Family, and to his People. And whether it shall seem fit to Thine unerring wisdom presently to remove from us this great calamity with which we are afflicted, or still to suspend it over us, dispose us, under every dispensation of Thy will, patiently to adore Thy inscrutable Providence, and to bless Thy Holy Name for ever and ever.

These Prayers and Supplications we humbly offer up to the Throne of Grace, in the Name and through the Mediation of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

¶ *The Prayer for The Prince Regent,*

PROTECT, We beseech Thee Almighty God, His Royal Highness George Prince of Wales, Regent of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland. Shed abundantly Thy blessings upon Him. Enable Him so to execute the
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high Authorities with which He is invested, that what he shall do in the Name of our beloved Sovereign, may be done for the good of His People, for the Honour and Security of His Dominions, and for the maintenance of Thy true Religion. Grant this O merciful God for Jesus Christ's sake Our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

The Prayer for the Governor—"O Eternal God, &c."

The Litany.

¶ *The Service to proceed as in ordinary Days to the End of the Collect, "We humbly beseech Thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our Infirmities, &c." Then shall follow this Prayer.*

O Almighty God, Sovereign Disposer of all earthly events, behold us here assembled, with united heart and voice, to pour forth our tribute of unfeigned praise and thankfulness, for the great and signal successes, with which the Arms of our Sovereign, against our public enemies have of late been wonderfully blessed. In humble adoration of Thy overruling Providence, we confess that, on every occasion, the victory is entirely thine; that the arm of man availeth nothing without Thy permission; that, solely through Thy gracious aid, the counsels of the wise and the exertions of the brave are crowned with a prosperous issue. With grateful acknowledgment of Thy unspeakable mercies, we feel that, as on many other occasions, so on the present, Thy arm has indeed been stretched out for our support, and thy merciful kindness

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kindness has blessed the forces of our Sovereign, with unexampled triumphs, to the lasting security, as we devoutly trust, of the nation to which we belong, and of these her Colonies; and to the maintenance of the great cause of justice against wrongful tyranny, and unprovoked aggression. But while humbly prostrate before the throne of Thy sacred Majesty, we express in this public manner our gratitude with our lips, teach us, O Lord, to feel it deeply in our hearts, and still more, to display it practically in our conduct. Give us grace, we beseech Thee, to turn our present experience of Thy gracious goodness to our lasting improvement. Enable us to derive from it an increased sense of our continual dependance upon Thee, and of the obligation which we owe to Thee for all the blessings we enjoy. Touch us with a lowly feeling of our own unworthiness. Put away from us the unbecoming spirit of malice towards our enemies, and of reliance on our own means of strength. Dispose us to refer, as is our bounden duty, the good which is dispensed to us, not to our own merits, but entirely to Thy free and undeserved mercy: that so, as we more experience, both in public and in private, the favour and protection of Thy overruling Providence, we may ever rise in our feelings of devout affection towards Thee, in zeal for Thy glory, in reverence for Thy holy name, and in the hearty unfeigned desire of obeying Thy commandments. These prayers and thanksgivings we humbly offer up to Thy Divine Majesty, in the name and through the mediation of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

¶ *Then read to the End of Morning Prayer.*

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¶ *After the Collect for the King, "Almighty God, whose Kingdom, &c." the following, shall be used.*

O LORD, our Governor, whose name is excellent in all the earth, and whose glory is high above the heavens, we, Thy humble Servants, beseech Thee mercifully to accept the offering of our praises and thanksgivings for Thy manifold and great blessings, with which Thou hast of late vouchsafed to visit us: these blessings no righteousness of our own hath merited; nor hath our own prudence or strength procured: and therefore, not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but to Thy name be the praise; to Thy power and wisdom, by which alone we have been preserved, and to Thy bountiful and gracious Providence, by which alone we prosper.

And grant to us, Lord, we beseech Thee, the spirit to use Thy blessings, as we ought; with devout gratitude to Thee, our God; with zeal for Thy glory, and submission to Thy will, and a faithful adherence to the Gospel of Thy beloved Son; with obedience to our rulers for conscience sake, as the ministers of Thee for good; with moderation and humility; with justice and purity; with charity, and forbearance, and
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brotherly love. Graft in our hearts the love of Thy name ; increase in us true religion ; nourish us with all goodness ; and of Thy great mercy keep us in the same ; that amid these and all Thy blessings we may seek Thy glory and the increase of Thy kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord ; to whom with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghost, be blessing and honour and glory and power, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Romans, XII. 9.

LET love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil ; cleave to that which is good. Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love ; in honour preferring one another ; not slothful in business ; fervent in spirit ; serving the Lord ; rejoicing in hope ; patient in tribulation ; continuing instant in prayer ; distributing to the necessity of saints ; given to hospitality. Bless them which persecute you : bless, and curse not. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits. Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath : for it is written, Vengeance is mine ; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thine

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enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Gospel. St. Luke, VI. 31.

AND as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise. For if ye love them which love you, what thank have ye? for sinners also love those that love them. And if ye do good to them which do good to you, what thank have ye? for sinners also do even the same. And if ye lend to them of whom ye hope to receive, what thank have ye? for sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil. Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.

¶ Then shall follow the Nicene Creed; and after that the Sermon.

After the Prayer "for the whole state of Christ's Church," the following shall be used.

ALmighty and ever merciful God, who in Thy gracious goodness dost listen to the petitions of those, who with
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humble and devout hearts call upon Thee; vouchsafe to accept with favour the supplications and thanksgivings, with which we thy unworthy servants have this day presumed to approach Thy throne. Continue, we beseech Thee, thy great blessings to us. Unite us by the aid of Thy Holy Spirit in a firm and uniform course of obedience to Thy will, and an hearty zeal for Thy honour and service. Cause our hearts to be knit together in mutual brotherly affection, in attachment to our established religion and laws, in dutiful obedience to our Sovereign and to those who bear authority under him. Endue us with a spirit of piety and devotion towards Thee, of unfeigned reliance on the merits of Thy beloved Son, of justice and temperance, of humility and charity, and of all other graces which adorn the Christian character. And take, we implore Thee, into Thy holy keeping the person of our Sovereign: be Thou unto him a tower of Strength; shield him from all approach of evil. Guard with Thy protecting Providence those of our fellow subjects who are fighting their country's battles in foreign lands, or in these Provinces: preserve our fleets from the peril of the stormy winds; protect our soldiers from the dangers of the sword and the pestilence, and bless with a successful issue their brave exertions for their country's welfare.

Accept, O Lord, our further prayers in behalf of those nations, allied with our Sovereign, in the present contest;
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whom the immediate ravages of war have exposed to the most severe and horrible afflictions. Grant to them a speedy deliverance from these tremendous visitations, and restore to them the blessings of tranquillity, happiness, and plenty.

We pray to Thee, O Lord, for strength, courage, and prudence, to withstand our Enemies, listen with favour also to our supplications for their good; instil into them a love of Thy holy name; cause them to see their errors; dispose them to abstain from tyranny and wrong, and incline their hearts to that sincere desire of peace by which a speedy termination may be put to the calamities of prolonged warfare.

These humble supplications we devoutly offer up at the Throne of Thy Divine Majesty, in the name, and through the mediation of our only Saviour, and Redeemer, Jesus Christ.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy Governance, that Thy Church may joyfully serve Thee in all godly quietness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALmighty God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in Thy Son's name; we beseech Thee mercifully to incline Thine Ears to us that have made now our Prayers and Supplications unto Thee; and grant, that those things, which we have faithfully asked according to
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Thy Will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of Thy Glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ Then the Priest (or Bishop, if he be present) shall let them depart with this Blessing :

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord : and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

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